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## City Begins Annual Leaf Collection

Harrisonburg, VA – The Department of Public Works will soon begin the annual curbside leaf collection throughout Harrisonburg.

The collection will begin Monday, November 4 and weather permitting will continue for six weeks.

### Collection Schedule:

West side of Main Street and Forest Hills Road

November 4-8

November 18-22

December 2-6

East Side of Main Street and Fairway Drive

November 11-15 (excluding holidays)

November 25-29 (excluding holidays)

December 9-13

The leaf collection truck will make its way through the neighborhood streets once per week during the designated dates.

### Guidelines for collection:

- Citizens are asked to rake their leaves out to the curb or the edge of the roadway.
- Leaves will not be picked up if there is excessive grass, limbs, branches, trash, etc. mixed with the leaves. No exceptions.
- Leaves need to be raked to the back of the curb, not to extend more than five feet into your yard.
- Please do not rake the leaves into the street.
- Please do not park vehicles around leaves.

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Residents in need of leaf collection before and/or after these dates are asked to place leaves in a biodegradable bag or 35 gallon container without a liner for your assigned [Wednesday yard debris and bulk collection](#).

During the 2012 leaf collection, more than 715 tons of leaves were collected throughout neighborhoods in the city.

Additional information is available at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/leaf-collection-schedule](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/leaf-collection-schedule). Anyone with questions should call the Department of Public Works at 540-434-5928.

***The Harrisonburg Public Works Department*** maintains more than 300 lane miles, 42.37 miles of public sidewalk, 250 miles of curb and gutter, and hundreds of acres of city right-of-way. The Department strives to ensure a safe, clean, and clear passageway for all vehicular and pedestrian traffic. More information about street and sidewalk maintenance is available at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/public-works](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/public-works).

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